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In re PATENT APPLICATION OF

Inventor(s): MARTIN ET AL

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Hon. Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please amend this application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

At the top of the first page, just under the title, insert:

1. ☒--This is a ☐ Continuation-In-Part ☒ Divisional
☐ Continuation ☐ Substitute Application (MPEP 201.09) of

1(a) ☒ National Application No. 09/030,028 filed February 25, 1998. Now US patent 6335161

1(b) ☒ International Application No. PCT/GB95/00204
filed August 25, 1995 which designated the U.S.--

2. ☐--This application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No.
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Please amend the above divisional application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 16, 3rd ¶ of Example 3, line 27, change to read as follows:

Two carbon probe electrodes were placed into the sample and 4-8 V (d.c.) was applied (power supply; Thurlby 30V, 2A) for between 0.5 to 2 minutes. The cell debris was pelleted and supernatants were analysed by PCR. PCR conditions were as follows; 0.1 µl/ml of sample in PCR buffer (as above), 1 µM (each) of primers ATGCGTCCGGCCGTAGAGGAT SEQ ID No. 1 and GTATCACGAGGCCCTT SEQ ID No. 2, 200 µM of each of dATP, dCTP, dGTP, dTTP, 5U/ml AmpliTaq DNA polymerase (Perkin Elmer). All reagent concentrations are given as the final concentration in a reaction volume made up with PCR buffer (as above). Amplified

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